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|   | ATIONAL APPLICATION NO.<br>PCT/EP2004/051622  | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE July 27, 2004      | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED July 28, 2003  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TITLE OF INVENTION Device for Protecting Electronic Modules in a Multi-Voltage On-Board Electrical System Against |   |  |                                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Short Circuits  APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Stephan Bolz and Günter Lugert  |   |  |                                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 3   | This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. |  |                                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4. X  | The US has been elected (Article 31).   |  |                                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. X  | A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))  |  |                                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 6. X  | An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).  |  |                                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|   | b. Las been previously submitte   | ed under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).                |                                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7.  | Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))  |  |                                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 8. 📙  | An English language translation of the  | amendments to the claims under PCT Art       | ticle 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9. 📙  | An oath or declaration of the inventor(s  | s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).                    |                                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10.   | An English language translation of the Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).  | annexes of the International Preliminary E   | xamination Report under PCT          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 11. 🔲   | An Information Disclosure Statement u   | inder 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.                  |                                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12.   | An assignment document for recording  | A separate cover sheet in compliance with    | th 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13. X   | A preliminary amendment.  |  |                                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 15.   | A substitute specification.   |  |                                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 20.   | Other items or information: Written   | Opinion, Înternational Search R              | Report                               |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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